

PESTICIDE EPISODE CLOSING REPORT

PR-ENF-055 (REV. 04/03)

update to ID18428-046

PRIORITY INVESTIGATION NO. 9-ORA-07	TRANSMITTAL DATE 2-26-07	INCIDENT DATE 2-24-07	CLOSING REPORT DATE 5-14-07	SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ATTACHED YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NAME OF PESTICIDE "Ratol" powder, allegedly from Tijuana			U.S. EPA OR STATE REGISTRATION NO. unknown	RESTRICTED USE YES / NO unknown
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS: On February 24, 2007, an eighteen month old male child gained access into an unlocked household cabinet and put some "Ratol" rat poison into his mouth. His mother and grandmother saw the black powder on his face and called the CA Poison Control Center (CPCS). CPCS recommended he be taken to the doctor immediately in case of ingestion. He was admitted to the Western Medical Center that afternoon and was discharged on February 26. The Orange County Agricultural Commissioner's office (ORA CAC) investigated this incident. According to the family, the "Ratol" product was purchased several years ago in Tijuana and was a zinc phosphide product. The hospital did not retain the container, so no label information could be retrieved. The product does not appear to have been manufactured or registered in the U.S. The child was treated with charcoal in the hospital, but he never developed any symptoms. The local Child Social Services Department visited the home on February 25 to ensure no further pesticide remained accessible to the child. Due to the sensitive nature of this incident, no further action will be taken.				
VIOLATIONS FOUND (Include brief description): None		INVESTIGATION CONSIDERATIONS / IMPACTS / EFFECTS		
		PUBLIC HEALTH YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>		
		GROUND WATER YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
		WORKER HEALTH AND SAFETY YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
		ENDANGERED SPECIES YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
		PRODUCT REGISTRATION YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>		
		CANCELLED/SUSPENDED PESTICIDE YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>		
ENFORCEMENT ACTION: <input type="checkbox"/> TAKEN <input type="checkbox"/> PENDING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE				
<input type="checkbox"/> COMPLIANCE ACTION <input type="checkbox"/> ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL PENALTY # <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> EPA ACTION REQUESTED				
DPR ROUTING: Brank, Edmiston, Lomeli, Martin, Miller, Monk, Pelham, Richmond, Rutz, Sarracino, Scott, Shattuck, Shields, Spencer, Watson		AGENCY NOTIFICATION		DATE REPORT SENT
		U.S. EPA: Ms. Fabiola Estrada		5/14/07
		CAC: Mr. Rick LeFeuvre		5/14/07
		DIR: Ms. Amalia Neidhart		5/14/07
		DHS: Dr. Rupali Das		5/14/07
		OEHA: Dr. William Ngai		5/14/07
		OTHER: Kelli Okuma, SPCB		5/14/07
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